

SCHOOL OPTIONS SYMPOSIUM

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RICE UNIVERSITY - OCTOBER 5, 2013

IF YOU'RE CONSIDERING A NEW SCHOOL FOR YOUR CHILD, THIS ALL-DAY INFORMATIONAL EVENT IS NOT TO BE MISSED.

Comprehensive Agenda

Key Note Presentations

Research and Analysis on Private & Public Schools by
Melissa Marschall and General Academic

Lectures

Considerations for Lower, Middle, and High School, The
Advantages of Private and Public Magnet Schools, How to
Apply to Private and Select Public Schools, Homeschooling
School Fair

Panel Discussions

Private vs. Private Schools, Lessons Learned

Presentations

Montessori, Terminal Middle and Elementary Schools,
Single Sex Education, Learning Differences, AP and IB
Advanced Curricula, International Education, Faith Based
Schools, Technology, Athletics, Extracurricular Activities

Question and Answer Periods

Informative Speakers

Diane Aquila – Homeschooling Advocate
Mother of Eleven

Paul Arcenaux – Admissions Director
Awty International School

Ryan Beaty – Chaplain
St. Stephen's Episcopal School

Philip Cannon – Head of Middle School
Presbyterian School

Jason Hebert – Headmaster
Western Academy

Tra' Lassiter – Vanguard Coordinator at
HISD's TH Rogers School

Shelby Joe – President & Founder
General Academic, SOS Co-Host

Melissa Marschall, PhD – Professor of Political Science at
Rice University, Co-Host

James Moudry, M.Ed – High School Director
The Post Oak School

David Rappaport – Advance English Teacher
Emery/Weiner School

Elise Sawyer – Magnet Coordinator at HISD's Harvard
Elementary School

Garhett Wagers – Headmaster
St. Mark's Episcopal School

Jennifer White – Head of Middle School
Emery/Weiner School

Ky Wilson – Director of Admissions
St. Stephen's Episcopal School

Lunch, refreshments, General Academic's book on Houston Schools, and presentation material is included.

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Event Matrix

Time	Martel Hall	McMurtry Auditorium	Pollard Lecture Hall	Mabee Lecture Hall	
9:00	Registration (All)			Color Code Key Key Notes (2x45) Panels, Lunch (2x30) Lectures (11 x 45) Presentations (18 x 20) Breaks, Q&A, Registration School Fair (1 x 120)	
15					
30					
9:45		Welcome + Findings (All)			
10:00		Joe & Marschall			
15					
10:30		Break + Q&A			
10:45		Considerations for Lower	Considerations for Upper	Considerations for Middle	
11:00		Harvard - Sawyer	GenAc - Joe	Presbyterian - Cannon	
15					
11:30		Why Magnet Schools	Why Private Schools		
45		Harvard/ TH Rogers	Emery - White		
12:00					
12:30	Lunch - Private vs. Public				
45	Melissa Marschall				
13:00	Lunch - Parent Panel				
20	Shelby Joe				
13:40	School Fair	Montessori - Post Oak	Terminal Middle - St. Mark's	Single Sex - Western Academy	
14:00		Repeat - Post Oak	Repeat - St. Mark's	Repeat - Western Academy	
14:20		Advanced Curricula - Emery	Special Needs - Joe	International - Awty	
40		Repeat - Emery	Repeat - Joe	Repeat - Awty	
15:00		Faith - St. Stephen's	Technology - Presbyterian	Athletics - Awty	
20		Repeat - St. Stephen's	Extracurricular - Joe	Art - Western Academy	
15:40			Break + Q&A		
16:00			Applications Public	Applications Private	Homeschooling
15			Harvard - Sawyer	St. Stephen's - Wilson	Diane Aquila
30					
16:45		Applications Public (Repeat)	Applications Private (Repeat)	Homeschooling (Repeat)	
17:00		Marschall	St. Stephen's - Wilson	Diane Aquila	
15					
17:30	Reception + Q&A				
17:45					
18:00					

Event List - Speaker

Key Notes

Overview - Joe & Marschall

Panel Discussions

Public vs. Private - Panelists

Parent Lessons Learned - Parents

School Fair

School Representatives

Lectures

Lower School - Sawyer

Middle School - Cannon

Upper School - Joe

Why Magnet - Sawyer/ Lassiter

Why Private - White

Private Apps - Wilson

Public Apps - Sawyer/ Marschall

Homeschooling 1 - Aquila

Homeschooling 2 - Aquila

Presentations

Montessori 1 - Moudry

Montessori 2 - Moudry

Terminal Middle 1 - Wagers

Terminal Middle 2 - Wagers

Single Sex 1 - Hebert

Single Sex 2 - Hebert

Special Needs 1 - Joe

Special Needs 2 - Joe

Advanced Curricula 1 - Rappaport Art - Hebert

Advanced Curricula 2 - Rappaport

Int. School 1 - Arcenaux

Int. School 2 - Arcenaux

Faith 1 - Beaty

Faith 2 - Beaty

Technology - Cannon

Extracurriculars - Joe

Athletics - Arcenaux